Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The Inspector of Boilers has to inspect machines at fixed statutory periods. But I do not think the D. P. H. should make any fixed number of visits in a year.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Is it the rule that he may inspect the factories if necessary only or is he bound to inspect them?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I want notice as to the particular provisions.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Won't he get time to do this in future also?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—If he gets time he will do it.

Shifting of the Kanjur Anchal office

232. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether they propose to shift the Kanjur Anchal Office from its present place; if so, where to and what are the reasons for so doing?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—A petition has been received on the subject. The matter is under investigation.

Inspectors of Police.

233. Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) how many Inspectors of Police are there in the State;

(b) how many different grades are there and what are the number in each grade with pay of respective grades;

(c) is there any allowance to the Police Inspectors in addition to their pay;

(d) how much as allowance an Inspector in a Cusba Police Station gets;

(e) how much as allowance an Inspector in a Town Police Station gets;

(f) is it not a fact that when an Inspector is transferred from Cusba to Town Station, he becomes a loser by Rs. 15 by way of allowance;

(g) is it after all as a punishment that an Inspector is transferred to a Town station;

(h) is there not much discontent among Inspectors in the Town stations on account of this glaring disparity;

(i) did the Government peruse an article published in the "Satyanatham" recently inviting the attention of the authorities to remove such disparity in Police allowance, if so, what action have they taken in the matter;

(j) did not the Cochin Police Union wait upon the present Diwan on deputation in the year 1931;

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(k) what are the representations made by the deputation;

(l) have the Government given any consideration on their representations;

(m) have they not given a memo to the deputation stating that their representations would be viewed with sympathy;

(n) how long is it now since that memo was issued;

(o) have the Government taken any further action to decide their case sympathetically after giving such an endorsement or closed the file without any further action;

(p) do the Government know what an Inspector of Police in Travancore gets as pay?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(a) 19 (excluding one Prosecuting Inspector and one Traffic Inspector.

(b) Three grades—1st grade 2 Inspectors—Rs. 80-4-100.
2nd grade—5 Inspectors—Rs. 60-4 80.
3rd grade—12— do Rs. 40-4-60.

(c) Yes, to Inspectors-in-charge of Stations.

(d) Inspectors in-charge of Cusba stations get a fixed travelling allowance of Rs. 25 per mensem, provided they halt beyond five miles of their Head-quarters for 10 days and perform 5 marches beyond the same distance.

(e) The Inspectors in-charge of Hill Palace Station and the Town Stations of Ernakulam, Mattancheri and Trichur get a Cycle allowance of Rs. 10 per mensem.

(f) It cannot be said that he will be a loser in view of the fact that the allowance of Rs. 25 is paid to a Cusba Inspector to meet the expenses of the frequent journeys he has to perform within his jurisdiction which is much more extensive than that of a Town station and that Town Inspectors are entitled to T.A. in addition to the cycle allowance according to the C. S. R.

(g) No.

(h) There is no information. Some of the Inspectors, however, appear to be reluctant to work in Towns, as the living there is more costly and the wok more exacting.

(i) Yes, the question of granting a house-rent allowance of Rs. 15 per mensem to a Town Inspector is already before the Government and better financial times are awaited.

(j) Yes.

(k) 1. Vacancies in the higher grades may not be filled by direct recruitment without considering the claims of those in service.

2. The rule that Inspectors should be graduates may be relaxed and deserving undergraduate Head constables, given promotion.

3. That the different grades of Inspectors may be abolished and time-scale pay introduced.

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4. To raise the allowance of Town Inspectors.

5. To increase the pay of Head constables and constables and to place the latter on a time-scale pay.

6. To sanction house-rent allowance to the officers and men who are not provided with quarters.

7. To redesignate the Office Manager as "Head-quarter Inspector."

(l) Yes.

(m) No; but in the Diwan's Proceedings dated 3rd March 1932, L—4—2538 of 1106 it was ordered among other things that the question of revising their pay may be considered with the budget.

(n) It is now nearly two years since the D. P. was issued.

(o) The question of revising their pay cannot be considered at present in view of the present financial stringency.

(p) Yes.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—(a) Are the Prosecuting Inspector and the Traffic Inspector placed in the same grade as the other Inspectors of Police?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon—The Prosecuting Inspector is placed in a higher grade. The Traffic Inspector is in the first grade.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Are they gentlemen who had training as Inspectors in charge of Stations?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon—No.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—(c) Is there any allowance to the Prosecuting Inspector in addition to his pay?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon—Yes.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Are there Inspectors of Police in Cochin State who are not in charge of Stations?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon—The Traffic Inspector, for instance.

Mr. K G. Nayar.—So this answer 'yes' means Inspectors except the Prosecuting Inspector and the Traffic Inspector?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon—Yes.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—(k) (l). Are there experienced Head constables who are capable of occupying the place of Inspectors with efficiency?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon—Yes.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Are the claims of these Head constables considered in the matter of appointing fresh Inspectors of Police?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon—Yes.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Were such cases taken into consideration in the past when appointments were made?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon—Yes, certainly.

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Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Are there instances of Head constables who have put in long years of service promoted as Inspectors of Police?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Yes.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—How many?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—I do not remember, some four or five.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Regarding financial stringency and economic depression, from the budget estimates of the last two years will the Government be pleased to say whether their income has been reduced in any way or in what way has the financial stringency affected the Government's income?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—What was the estimate for 1107 and the actual for 1107?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—You will find in the budget that on many heads there have been reduction.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—I want the total income. Was not the estimated income 84 lakhs and odd?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—The total may not have been affected.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—How are the Government affected by the economic depression?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—By their having to make heavy outlays on capital and other expenditures.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Capital expenditure on Railway and Harbour or routine expenditure?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—In the case of the Development departments there have been increase of expenditure in addition to outlays on Railway and Harbour.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Has the expenditure in any year gone beyond the income of the Government?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—We cannot be sure of the Customs Revenue. When there is a fall in trade there must be a corresponding fall in the customs revenue. We cannot anticipate the figure in advance. We put it at level. Added to that there has been remission in this year. The excise revenue is falling. All these added certainly affect the income of the Government.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Regarding customs, was not the revenue of last year more than that of the previous year?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—We do not know what we will get next year. There is a special duty on sugar imposed by the Government of India. We do not know whether they will continue it, whether that will be in the next budget. It is they who frame the budget.

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Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Can you not expect a larger amount than last year?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I am not sure.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—(k) (7). Whether that has been accepted by the Government. It involves no finahcial commitment.

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—That is not sanctioned.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know whether the Government is not intending to sanction it?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—No, Government think there is no necessity.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—What was the object of the representation, whether that has been ascertained?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—I do not exactly remember. I have not got that petition here. But I believe it is probably with the object that if once the designation is changed the post may be reserved to the Inspectors of the field force. Thereafter only an Inspector will be appointed.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—(9) May I know what is the maximum and minimum grade of Inspectors is?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—There are 3 grades, 60 to 90, 100 to 125 and 140 to 200.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Is there any grade of officers below them known as Sub-Inspectors now in Travancore service?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—No.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—What is the principle followed in fixing the number of posts in the different grades?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—I want notice.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Will all the Inspectors of the third grade be able to rise to the maximum of the first grade before they retire?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—I cannot say now. It depends upon circumstances.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Will the Government be pleased to state how a third grade Inspector happens to come to the second grade and then to the first grade—what is the criterion?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—If there is a vacancy the senior man in the last grade will be pushed up to the next grade.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Is it by virtue of the number of years he has served?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—No, it is not time-scale.

Toll-gates—fixing of.

234. Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state—

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